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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 7th/November, through Sunday, 14th/November there were 209 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4U1I, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5T, 5U, 5V, 5X, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9G, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9Q, 9V, 9Y, A2, A3, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C6, C9, CE, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FH, FK, FM, FO, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, HA, HB, HC, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HV, HZ, I, IS, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH2, KH6, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PZ, S5, S7, S9, SM, SP, ST, SU, SV, SV5, SV9, T7, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V2, V3, V5, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VK9N, VP2E, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, YA, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZF, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations or more likely a "BUSTED CALLSIGN". As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3DA, SWAZILAND. Remember to look for Joe/AA4NN and Chuck/W4GMY to be active this week as **3DA0NN** and **3DA0CG**, respectively, from **November 17-22nd**. Activity will mainly be on CW on 160-10 meters. They will leave here and go to **Mozambique (C9)**, **November 24th**, for the **CQWW DX CW Contest**.

8P, BARBADOS. Tom, W2SC, will once again be active as **8P5A** in the **CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th)** as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry. QSL via NN1N.

9N, NEPAL. Look for Rudolf/DJ3WE, Falk/DK7YY, Ben/DL6RAI and Roberto/IV3IYH to be active this week as **9N7BCC** between **November 16th and December 5th**. There is a possibility that some of the operators may receive their own private licence. Team members

plan to have three stations on the air simultaneously. Check the usual DX frequencies on 160-15m and also possibly on 10 meters. However, their emphasis will be on the lower and WARC bands. Also, look for RTTY operations before and after the upcoming **CQWW DX CW Contest**. QSLs for 9N7BCC are via DK7YY.

A6, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES. "The Daily DX" reports that Don, N1DG, will be here between **November 15-21st**, and active during his spare time from the QTH of Saeed, A61AD. Activity will be on 40-10 meters with operations mainly on RTTY and PSK31, and CW on the WARC bands. QSL via N1DG.

C6, BAHAMAS. Dave, G4WFQ, will be active as **C6AWF** from Treasure Cay, **Abaco Island (NA-080)**, **April 15-29th**. Activity will be on 80-10 meters including the WARC bands with operations mostly CW, RTTY with some SSB. QSL via G3SWH. There will be an online log on the following Web page, and the log will also be uploaded to the LoTW after the operation. The Web page is: <http://www.g4wfq.btinternet.co.uk>

CONTESTER/DXER GATHERING. The Contest Club Finland (CCF) and the OH DX Foundation (OHDXF) have announced and are inviting you to attend their **10th annual Contester/DXer meeting** to be held aboard the Viking Line m/s "Gabriella" on January 21-23rd. The ship will leave from Finland (OH) and travel to the Aland Islands (OH0) to Sweden (SM) and then back the Aland Islands (OH0) and return to Finland. There is only a limited number of cabins available. Please notice that they have cabins from A to C-class, all with the same price. People booking their cruise first will get the best cabins. The preliminary agenda, prices and on-line registration forms are now available on the CCF Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/ccf/meet10th.htm>. Also, visit the OHDXF Web page at: <http://www.ohdxf.fi>

GJ, JERSEY. Operators Rich/K2WR, Dave/G4BUO, Ed/G3SQX and Gary/G4IFB will be active as **GJ2A** in the **CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th)** as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via K2WR.

HC8, GALAPAGOS ISLANDS. Operators Robert/N5KO, Daniel/K1TO, Stephen/K6AW and Zoli/HA1AG will be active as **HC8N** in the **CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th)** as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via W5UE.

HS AND XU, THAILAND AND CAMBODIA. Bruce, AA4XR, will be busy over the next several weeks. He is expected to arrive in Bangkok Tuesday, **November 16th**, and should be operational that night as **HS0ZCY**. He will be active from his QTH between **November 16-20th** and **December 1-7th**. There will be a heavy emphasis on the low bands and CW/RTTY/PSK31. Larry will be attending the "SEANET Convention" (the Dayton of the Pacific) Friday/Saturday, November 19-20th. He will try to squeeze in some guest operating time as HS72B on the WARC bands. He will depart Sunday, November 21st, for **Cambodia (XU)** and arrive in Komgpong Som midday on Monday, **November 22nd**. Larry states that he will be operational within a couple of hours after arrival as **XU7ADF**. He will stay 8 days (**November 22-30th**). His activity will be on all bands (including the WARC bands) 160-10 meters with an emphasis on RTTY and CW. Larry will also be operating from the **IOTA Koh Pos (AS-133)** as **XU7POS** (as a guest of Jacques/ON4AJV and the Belgian team there). Look for him to be active in the **CQWW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th)** as a Single-Op/Single-Band entry. He will be signing as **XU7ADF**. Larry states, "My partner in crime for the Cambodian trip is the legendary Thai Contest Guru (and 40wpm cw guy!) Champ, E21EIC."

He will be very active using his callsign **XU7ADE** as well." QSL XU7ADF via AA4XR. QSL XU7ADE via E21EIC.

HS72B, THAILAND (Update to [OPDX.684](#)). Operators DL3DXX, DL5LYM, G4ODV, G4UZN, WA6CDR, HS0ZDZ, HS1CKC and HS0ZDX will be active as **HS72B** during the **CQWW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th)** as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via E20NTS.

IOTA NEWS.....

- **AS-076.** Look for JA5BEX and JA5BQX to be active as homecall/5 from **Ogi Islands** from **November 27-28th**. This activity will be a new one for the Japanese IOTA Island Award (JIIA **AS-076**). QSL via their home callsigns, direct or via the bureau.
- **NA-196.** Bruce, KD6WW, is expected to be active as **VY0/KD6WW** from the Nunavut Group (**Belcher Islands**) from **November 17-22nd**. Activity will be on 40/30/20 meters. QSL via his CBA.
- **OC-121.** Naoyuki, JK1FNL, will be active as **3D2NA** from **Mana Island, November 19-24th**. Activity will be on 80-6 meters on CW/SSB and RTTY. QSL via JK1FNL; the bureau is OK.
- **SA-021.** Activity from the Bahia Blanca DX Group from **Wood Island** took place this past weekend. The DXpedition's operators and callsigns were:
 - LU7DSY/D Carlos (Team Leader and QSL Manager)
 - LU9ESD/D Emmanuel
 - LU4ETN/D Charly
 - LU8EBJ/D Gabriel
 - LU5DRV/D Walter
 - LU4DRH/D Dario
 - LW9EVA/D Hugo
 - LW9EAG/D Gabriel
 - LU5DEM/D Eduardo
 - LU7AC/D Marcelo (Special Invited from Buenos Aires)

QSL Manager's address (LU7DSY): Carlos Almiron, P.O. Box 709, 8000 Bahia Blanca, Buenos Aires, Argentina. Please send 2 USD or 2 IRC for direct QSL. Bureau cards are 100%.

KG4, GUANTANAMO BAY. Tip, N4SIA (**KG4AS**), informs OPDX that he and 3 other operators will be active from here beginning **January 18th** for **8 days**. Tip states that he will be active on CW/SSB and 6 meters. More info is forthcoming.

KH0, MARIANA ISLANDS. Yoshiro, JL3SIK/N1VF, is expected to be active as **N1VF/KH0** from **Saipan (OC-086)**, **November 20-22nd**. Activity will be on 40-6 meters CW, SSB and the digital modes. QSL via JL3SIK, direct or by the bureau.

LX, LUXEMBOURG. The team of Jorgen/DL4SDW, Ralf/DL5SEJ, Bernd/DL8SCG and Philippe/LX2AJ will be active as **LX7I** in the **CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th)** as a Multi-Single entry. QSL via LX2AJ. QSL is "OK" via the Bureau or direct, but if you work them on 5 bands, you can request a direct QSL via E-mail from: lx2aj@gmx.net. Philippe informs OPDX that they will have monobanders for 160-10 meters. More information and an online log will be available on the LX2AJ/LX7I Web page at: <http://www.qsl.net/lx2aj/> Also, expect LX7I to be active in more contests next year.

NEW OFFICERS FOR 2005. It was announced this past week that following extensive campaigning and electioneering, the following North Jersey DX Association (NJDXA) members were elected to the following offices:

President	K2WR	Rich Gelber
Vice President	KB2ENF	Stephen Saposnik
Secretary	KF2TI	Steven Adell
Treasurer	N2BIM	Gene Ingraham

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- **OOOPPPSSS DEPARTMENT.** Last week's [OPDX.684](#) had a typo in it under "XE4IH QSLs". It should have read "**XF4IH QSLs**". Enrique, XE1IH, QSL Manager for XF4IH Socorro Island (NA-030 Revillagigedo) operation, informs OPDX that he is having problems with the Mexican Postal Office, and QSLs to be confirmed are not arriving at his P.O Box. He announces now to please send QSLs to his home address at: Enrique Garcia Munive, Av. Insula Edificio 15-A-301, U. H. Acueducto de Guadalupe, 07270 Mexico City, MEXICO. It is suggested to send your requests registered."
- Phil Whitchurch, G3SWH, announced that effective immediately he has been appointed as QSL Manger for Bill Luo, **BX3AC**. Cards will be accepted and replied to either direct with return postage and SAE, via the bureau or via E-mail with a reply via the bureau. Phil's E-mail address is: phil@g3swh.demon.co.uk
- **NOT THE QSL MANAGER.** Fran, EA7FTR, informs OPDX that a station in the CQWW DX SSB Contest, **LQ5H**, stated to QSL via EA7FTR. He states this is incorrect, and he is NOT the QSL Manager.
- **QSL MANAGER CHANGE.** John, W2GB, informs OPDX to "PLEASE NOTE" that ALL requests for **VP5X** QSL cards go via Kari, OH3RB. This was a last minute change made by the team leader. At this time John is not the QSL Manager for VP5X.
- The TX9 group has posted their log online and their statistics. Here are their Web links: <http://www.df3cb.com/logsearch/tx9/index.php> and <http://www.df3cb.com/chesterfield/news.html>

SILENT KEY. Ivan, CP1KI (ZS6IL), informs OPDX that Rene, **CP1FQ**, became a Silent Key (SK) on November 3rd. Ivan states, "He has not been active over the last couple of years due to illness but prior to this, he was a keen DXer (DXCC Honor Roll) and was very active on 6 meters giving many hams their first (and probably only) CP contact on 50Mhz. OPDX and its readers would like to send out our deepest sympathy to Rene's family and friends.

SPECIAL EVENT. Look for special event station **TM6OSA** to be active between **now and November 28th**. Activity is to commemorate the **60th anniversary of the liberation of the town of Saverne** (30 kilometers of Strasbourg). Operations are expected to be on all bands and modes. QSL via F6GXL.

V4, ST. KITTS AND NEVIS. Larry, KJ4UY, and his wife Mel will be arriving on **Nevis** on **December 23rd** and will return to Florida on the night of **January 2nd**. Larry reports, "We will be celebrating Christmas and New Year's with our friends in St. Kitts and Nevis. I will try to ship some antennas to St. Kitts before we leave so I can operate from St. Kitts and Nevis. Not sure when and what bands/modes I will be on because of the holidays. As propagation directs, I will be on 6-160 meters/bands and modes. I have been working 14-15 hours/daily for a number

of months and still trying to clean up after the hurricanes. Have no antennas up here yet after being antenna stripped. We look forward working as many as possible while there."

VP9, BERMUDA. Look for Paul/K1XM, Ann/WA1S and Charlotte/KQ1F to be active as **VP9/WA1S**, **VP9/K1XM** and **VP9/KQ1F** from **November 21-28th**. The trio will also be active as **VP9I** in the **CQWW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th)** as a Multi-2 entry. QSL via KQ1F for VP9I, VP9/K1XM and VP9/KQ1F. QSL via WA1S for VP9/WA1S.

VU4, ANDAMAN ISLANDS. Charles Harpole, K4VUD and VU3CHE, sent out a "Please Help VU4 DXpedition" press release this past weekend. Basically, the release states that Bharathi Prasad, VU2RBI, is now within days of receiving official permission to do a legal DXpedition on the Andaman Island (VU4). She has plans to arrive in the capital, Port Blair, on or about December 1st. Charles states,

"This is very short notice to obtain funding help from the ham community. I am now urgently seeking donations of any amount to fund the basic costs of this DXpedition. In the unlikely event that the trip does not happen in a timely manner, ALL donations will be fully refunded to the donors. Full keeping of donor records and addresses and amounts will be carried out. NCDX Foundation request has also been made but time is very short. Please feel free to relay this urgent message to all hams world-wide by any means."

Donations in U.S. Dollar amounts via personal check or international postal money order or equivalent should be made out to and mailed to: Charles Harpole, 3100 N. Hwy. 426, Geneva, FL 32732-9761 USA. Charles, K4VUD, E-mail address is: k4vud@hotmail.com. Charles sent out a second press release that states:

"Bharathi has appealed to VU2SON for help in getting permission to do a legal operation on VU4. She has asked for a month-long operating permission this December. Only native citizens of India are allowed to operate. Bharathi and her family are of modest means. She does not have any money of her own to invest in this DXpedition. India culture indicates a proper married woman only travel with her husband, VU2DBP. She led the 1978 DXpedition to VU4. Please do not complicate matters by now making your own request to operate on VU4. Please allow Bharathi to work her magic for now. In a year, if we all behave and have patience, Andaman could be much more open to ham radio visits or an on-going presence. The DX community needs to understand that this VU4 DXpedition is likely to start as a 'mighty lite' for the reasons cited above. This is a PILOT project to prove ham radio is harmless on VU4. That is the immediate goal. Later, we hope to establish a long-term ham radio presence at a school in Port Blair. This effort will NOT be a mass arrival of crack operators with tons of gear. We appeal to the generosity, understanding, and patience of the world wide DX community. Please remember this is AMATEUR radio in a Developing Nation, and please give Bharathi's effort your patient support for this evolving project. Personally, I know how important a contact with VU4 is. The pent-up demand is huge. However, I appeal to all DXers to realize the delicate nature of getting permission, of quickly mounting this pilot effort, and of finding funds now. In American slang, 'please cut some slack' to this project and know that Bharathi and I are in this for the long haul so that ham radio can later establish a continuing presence there to answer the

needs for all bands and all modes. ALL donations will be promptly refunded should this effort not go as announced. QSL card requests will go to a USA address for mail security."

VP2, ANGUILLA. Tom/DL2RUM and Jan/DJ8NK will be active as **VP2ETL** and **VP2ENK**, respectively, from **November 16-30th**. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via their home callsigns.

XU, CAMBODIA. Operators Wim/ON6TZ and Jack/ON4AJT will be active as **XU7POS** and **XU7AJV**, respectively, from here starting **November 20th** for about **three months**. Their QSL route and modes/bands of activity were not provided.

ZL6, NEW ZEALAND. Operators Brian/ZL1AZE, John/ZL1BYZ, Tony/ZL2AGY, Wilbert/ZL2BSJ, Andrei/ZL1TM and Chris/ZL1CT will be active as **ZL6QH** during the **CQ WW DX CW Contest (November 27-28th)** as a Multi-Multi entry. QSL via ZL2AOH. The operators are members of the Quartz Hill User Group. Visit their Web page at:
<http://www.zl6qh.com>

ZX0, SOUTH SHETLAND ISLANDS. Roberto/PT2GTI is now active as **ZX0GTI** from **Elephant Island (AN-010)** from EMILIO GOELDI REFUGE (which has been numbered, according to WAP as BRA-05). He will be there **until November 17th**. As this was being written, activity has been mainly on 20 meters SSB.

SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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<http://www.papays.com/opdx.html>

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<http://www.en.com/users/k8yse/nodxa.html>

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